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Letter

Dr. Ms. McCarthy, The proposed cleanup of the Portland Harbor is a big win for industry and a bad deal for the public. EPA's cleanup proposal tackles just 8% of a site area that is 100% toxic. A more aggressive plan is needed to prevent even more harm to human health and the environment. On behalf of all people who rely on the river for food, recreation, employment and culture, I urge the EPA to implement a plan that: Moves quickly and sustainably reduces contaminants causing harm to Willamette and Columbia River resources. Includes ongoing monitoring and cleanup upriver and downriver from the site. Contributes to healthy fish that are safe to eat for all people. Holds polluters accountable for creating a safer Portland Harbor. These elements get us closer to the plan our communities deserve. And I deserve a clean, safe Portland Harbor. *Submitted during the comment period between June 9, 2016 to August 8, 2016 regarding the EPA's Portland Harbor Feasibility Study and Proposed Plan.

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As a Portlander, it is essential that the Superfund cleanup plan actually cleans a substantial amount of the toxins from the river — way more than the 8% currently proposed. My family fishes from the Willamette, we swim in the river, and we connect to nature through the river. The proposed plan is a huge disappointment to me personally, and is especially damaging to the communities most impacted by the contamination, such as Native Americans, African Americans, Latinos, East Asian, Eastern European, houseless, and other immigrant / refugee groups. These communities face the harshest costs of a polluted river, such as displacement, exposure to toxins, and violations of treaty rights. I urge the EPA and Oregon legislators to restore the Willamette today for all people and generations.